| A1 Write $5^{8}$ as a power of 25 | A2 Write $8^{6}$ as a power of 2 | A3 Write $8^{6}$ as a power of 4 | A4 Write $8^{2} \times 4^{3}$ as a power of 2 |
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| B1 Write 2 as a power of 8 | B2 Write 4 as a power of 8 | B3 Write $\sqrt{8}$ as a power of 2 | B4 Express $3 \sqrt{3}$ as a power of 9 |
| C1 Express $\frac{1}{81}$ as a single power of 3 | C2 Express $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ as a single power of 9 | C3 Express $\frac{1}{4 \sqrt{2}}$ as a single power of 2 | C4 Express $3^{7}+9^{4}+15 \times 27^{2}$ as a power of 3 |
| D1 Solve: $32^{x}=\frac{1}{16}$ | D2 Solve: $2^{x}=8^{\frac{1}{4}} \times 16^{\frac{1}{3}}$ | D3 Find the value of $x$ if: $9^{\frac{3}{4}} \times 27^{x}=81^{\frac{2}{3}}$ | D4 Find the value of $m$ and $n$ if: $6 \times 12^{m}=9^{4} \times 2^{n}$ |

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## POWERS AND ROOTS

## CHANGE OF BASE

| A1 Write $5^{8}$ as a power of 25 $\begin{aligned} 5^{8} & =5^{2 \times 4} \\ & =25^{4} \end{aligned}$ | A2 Write $8^{6}$ as a power of 2 $\begin{aligned} 8^{6} & =\left(2^{3}\right)^{6} \\ & =2^{18} \end{aligned}$ | A3 Write $8^{6}$ as a power of 4 $\begin{aligned} 8^{6}=\left(2^{3}\right)^{6} & =2^{18} \\ & =2^{2 \times 9} \\ & =4^{9} \end{aligned}$ | A4 Write $8^{2} \times 4^{3}$ as a power of 2 $\begin{aligned} 8^{2} \times 4^{3} & =\left(2^{3}\right)^{2} \times\left(2^{2}\right)^{3} \\ & =2^{6} \times 2^{6} \\ & =2^{12} \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| B1 Write 2 as a power of 8 $\begin{aligned} 2 & =\sqrt[3]{8} \\ & =8^{\frac{1}{3}} \end{aligned}$ | B2 Write 4 as a power of 8 $\begin{aligned} 4=2^{2} & =\left(8^{\frac{1}{3}}\right)^{2} \\ & =8^{\frac{2}{3}} \end{aligned}$ | B3 Write $\sqrt{8}$ as a power of 2 $\begin{aligned} \sqrt{8}=8^{\frac{1}{2}} & =\left(2^{3}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ & =2^{\frac{3}{2}} \end{aligned}$ | B4 Express $3 \sqrt{3}$ as a power of 9 $\begin{aligned} 3 \sqrt{3}=3 \times 3^{\frac{1}{2}} & =3^{\frac{3}{2}} \\ & =\left(9^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}=9^{\frac{3}{4}} \end{aligned}$ |
| C1 Express $\frac{1}{81}$ as a single power of 3 $\frac{1}{81}=\frac{1}{3^{4}}=3^{-4}$ | $\text { C2 } \begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}=\frac{1}{3^{\frac{1}{2}}} & =3^{-\frac{1}{2}} \\ & =\left(9^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}=9^{-\frac{1}{4}} \end{aligned}$ | C3 $\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{4 \sqrt{2}}=\frac{1}{2^{2} \times 2^{\frac{1}{2}}} & =\frac{1}{2^{\frac{5}{2}}} \\ & =2^{-\frac{5}{2}} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} 3^{7}+9^{4}+15 \times 27^{2} & =3^{7}+\left(3^{2}\right)^{4}+15\left(3^{3}\right)^{2} \\ & =3^{7}+3^{8}+5 \times 3\left(3^{6}\right) \\ & =3^{7}+3^{8}+5 \times\left(3^{7}\right) \\ & =3^{7}(1+3+5) \\ & =3^{7} \times 9 \\ & =3^{7} \times 3^{2}=3^{9} \end{aligned}$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { D1 } \\ & 32^{x}=\frac{1}{16} \\ & \Rightarrow\left(2^{5}\right)^{x}=\frac{1}{2^{4}} \\ & \Rightarrow 2^{5 x}=2^{-4} \end{aligned} \quad \Rightarrow 5 x=-4$ | $\left.\begin{array}{l} \text { D2 } \\ 2^{x}=8^{\frac{1}{4}} \times 16^{\frac{1}{3}} \\ \Rightarrow 2^{x}=\left(2^{3}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \times\left(2^{4}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \Rightarrow x \end{array}\right)=\frac{3}{4}+\frac{4}{3}$ | $\begin{array}{lll} \text { D3 } \begin{aligned} 9^{\frac{3}{4}} \end{aligned} 27^{x}=81^{\frac{2}{3}} & \\ \Rightarrow\left(3^{2}\right)^{\frac{3}{4}} \times\left(3^{3}\right)^{x}=\left(3^{4}\right)^{\frac{2}{3}} & 3 x=\frac{8}{3}-\frac{6}{4} \\ \Rightarrow 3^{\frac{6}{4}} \times 3^{3 x}=3^{\frac{8}{3}} & \Rightarrow 3 x=\frac{7}{6} \\ & \Rightarrow x=\frac{7}{18} \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|lrl} \text { D4 } \left.\begin{array}{rl} 6 \times 12^{m} & =9^{4} \times 2^{n} \\ \Rightarrow 3 \times 2 \times\left(3 \times 2^{2}\right)^{m} & =3^{2 \times 4} \times 2^{n} \\ \Rightarrow 3^{m+1} \times 2^{2 m+1} & =3^{8} \times 2^{n} \\ m+1=8 & n \end{array}\right)=2 m+1 \\ \Rightarrow m=7 \quad & =15 \end{array}$ |

